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Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 22, 2003, said period of response being extended from April 22, 2003 to July 22, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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